

Regular Meeting

Agenda Item #	2
Meeting Date	May 23, 2005
Prepared By	Suzanne Ludlow, Community and Government Liaison
Approved By	Barbara B. Matthews City Manager

Discussion Item	Resolution of Appreciation to the District 20 Delegation
Background	The City of Takoma Park is known for having highly effective representation in the Maryland General Assembly. Our District 20 Delegation is Senator Ida G. Ruben, Delegate Peter Franchot, Delegate Sheila Hixson and Delegate Gareth E. Murray. Since 1998, the City of Takoma Park has received over \$2 million in State bond bill funds for the Takoma Park Community Center due to the efforts of our District 20 Delegation.
Policy	The City of Takoma Park is pleased to honor those who provide extraordinary service to the Takoma Park community.
Fiscal Impact	N/A
Attachments	Draft resolution
Recommendation	Approve resolution
Special Consideration	

Introduced By:

RESOLUTION 2005-__

Resolution of Appreciation to the District 20 Delegation
For Their Continued Support of the Takoma Park Community Center

WHEREAS, Takoma Park is ably represented in the Maryland General Assembly by the District 20 Delegation of Senator Ida G. Ruben, Delegate Peter Franchot, Delegate Sheila Ellis Hixson and Delegate Gareth E. Murray; and

WHEREAS, the Takoma Park community has for many years needed a community center to provide space for educational, recreational, and arts activities for the young people, seniors, immigrants, artists, performers, community activists and others in Takoma Park; and

WHEREAS, the first funds to be committed towards a new community center came from the State of Maryland in 1998 due to the efforts of the members of the District 20 Delegation, and that commitment was essential to gain the commitment of other funders for the project; and

WHEREAS, during recent years, State funds have been very limited, requiring extraordinary efforts to secure funding for facilities such as community centers; and

WHEREAS, the District 20 Delegation put forth those extraordinary efforts in a difficult year and was highly successful; and

WHEREAS, during the 2005 Legislative Session, \$350,000 was secured for the Center, raising the total State bond bill funding gained for the program by the Delegation to \$2,150,000.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED THAT the Council of the City of Takoma Park hereby commends and thanks Senator Ida G. Ruben, Delegate Peter Franchot, Delegate Sheila Ellis Hixson and Delegate Gareth E. Murray for their important service to the Takoma Park community by securing a total of more than \$2 million in critical funding for the Takoma Park Community Center.

ADOPTED THIS 23rd DAY OF MAY, 2005.

ATTEST:

Jessie Carpenter
Acting City Clerk